# **OM HOLDINGS LIMITED**

(ARBN 081 028 337) (Malaysian Registration No. 202002000012 (995782-P)) Incorporated in Bermuda



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29 February 2024

ASX Market Announcements ASX Limited 4<sup>th</sup> Floor 20 Bridge Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir/Madam

The Board of OM Holdings Limited ("**OMH**", or the "**Company**", together with its subsidiaries (the "**Group**"), is pleased to provide the financial results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023. A copy of the Group's Appendix 4E for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 is attached to this announcement.

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Net profit after tax attributable to owners of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2023 ("FY2023") of US\$18.2 million as compared to US\$67.8 million for the year ended 31 December 2022 ("FY2022").
- Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortisation ("EBITDA") of US\$94.9 million for FY2023 compared with US\$150.7 million for FY2022.
- Basic and diluted earnings per ordinary share of the Group of 2.45 US cents for FY2023 as compared to 9.21 US cents for FY2022.
- Revenue from operating activities for FY2023 was US\$589.2 million, representing a 31% decrease over FY2022. This decrease was primarily attributed to lower average selling prices for the year, despite a 3% increase in total volumes of ores and alloys traded in FY2023.
- Gross profit margin declined to 16.1% in FY2023, from 24.2% in FY2022.
- The Group's share of results from its associates for FY2023 was US\$5.1 million.
- Total borrowings increased from US\$254.7 million as at 31 December 2022 to US\$265.5 million as at 31 December 2023 which was mainly due to drawdowns on revolving credit facilities and higher utilisation of trade financing facilities as at 31 December 2023, offset by principal repayments of loans of approximately US\$47.6 million in FY2023. Total borrowings to equity ratio remained the same as at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022, at 0.64 times.
- Consolidated cash position of US\$69.7 million (included cash collateral of US\$9.2 million) as at 31 December 2023 as compared to US\$62.4 million (included cash collateral of US\$9.1 million) as at 31 December 2022.
- Net cash generated from operating activities of US\$30.3 million for FY2023.
- Net asset backing per ordinary share of the Group was 54.25 US cents as at 31 December 2023 as compared to 54.26 US cents per ordinary share as at 31 December 2022.
- Issuance of 27,633,464 ordinary shares to JFE Shoji Corporation on 4 December 2023, raised proceeds of A\$13.0 million (US\$8.9 million).



## **OM HOLDINGS LIMITED - GROUP KEY FINANCIAL RESULTS**

KEY DRIVERS	Year ended	Year ended	Variance
(Tonnes)	31 December	31 December	%
	2023	2022	
Sales volumes of Ores	936,940	888,698	5
Sales volumes of Alloys	405,087	409,020	(1)

FINANCIAL RESULTS (US\$' million)			
Total sales	589.2	856.6	(31)
Gross profit	94.8	206.9	(54)
Gross profit margin (%)	16.1	24.2	
Other income	23.5	4.0	NM
Distribution costs	(29.0)	(48.5)	(40)
Administrative expenses	(14.8)	(16.0)	(8)
Other operating expenses	(24.0)	(31.1)	(23)
Exchange gain, net	4.6	0.6	NM
Finance costs	(27.5)	(18.7)	47
Share of results of associates	5.1	8.4	(39)
Profit before tax	32.7	105.6	(69)
Income tax expense	(14.3)	(23.0)	(38)
Profit after tax	18.4	82.6	(78)
Non-controlling interests	(0.2)	(14.8)	(99)
Profit after tax attributable to owners of the Company	18.2	67.8	(73)

OPERATING RESULTS ADJUSTED FOR NON-CASH ITEMS		
Net profit after tax	18.4	82.6
Adjust for non-cash items:		
Depreciation/amortisation <sup>(2)</sup>	35.7	27.7
Finance costs (net of income)	26.5	17.4
Income tax expense	14.3	23.0
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	94.9	150.7
Less Depreciation/amortisation	(35.7)	(27.7)
Adjusted EBIT	59.2	123.0

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is defined as operating profit before depreciation and amortisation, net finance costs and income tax. Adjusted EBITDA is not a uniformly defined measure and other companies in similar industries may calculate this measure differently. Consequently, the Group's presentation of Adjusted EBITDA may not be readily comparable to other companies' disclosures.

<sup>(2)</sup> Inclusive of depreciation and amortisation charges recorded through cost of sales.



#### **FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

The Group recorded revenue of US\$589.2 million for FY2023, which was a 31% decrease from US\$856.6 million recorded for FY2022. The decrease in revenue was mainly attributed to lower average selling prices of ores and alloys, despite a 3% increase in total volumes of ores and alloys traded in FY2023.

Average selling prices in FY2023 were significantly lower as compared to FY2022 mainly due to higher prices in 1H 2022, driven by the strong global recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, and the uncertainty caused by the conflict between Ukraine and Russia. The impact of these factors subsided in 2H 2022 and throughout 2023. In addition, the suppressed demand from steel mills amid higher energy costs and the weakening global steel market contributed to the decrease in ore and alloy prices since 2H 2022 and into FY2023.

Platts reported that prices of FeSi continued its downward trend since late 2022 into FY2023. FeSi prices decreased from US\$1,630 per tonne CIF Japan at the end of December 2022 to US\$1,285 per tonne CIF Japan at the end of December 2023, a decline of approximately 21%.

The prices of SiMn in FY2023 also followed a similar trajectory as FeSi declined approximately 13%. SiMn prices declined from US\$1,030 per tonne CIF Japan at the end of December 2022 to US\$900 per tonne CIF Japan at the end of December 2023.

As an indication, the index manganese ore prices (44% Mn published by Fastmarkets MB) increased from US\$5.13/dmtu CIF China at the end of December 2022, to US\$5.30/dmtu CIF China at the end of March 2023, before decreasing for the rest of the year to close at US\$4.17/dmtu CIF China at the end of December 2023.

The Group recorded a lower gross profit of US\$94.8 million in FY2023 (with a gross profit margin of 16%) as compared to a gross profit of US\$206.9 million in FY2022 (with a gross profit margin of 24%). This was in line with the lower revenue recorded for FY2023, offset by inventories written-back of US\$38.5 million (2022: inventories written-back, the FY2023 gross profit margin was 10% (2022: 30%).

Other income increased by US\$19.5 million mainly due to a US\$20.2 million gain recognized in 4Q 2023 from the disposal of 90% of a subsidiary, OM Materials (Qinzhou) Co Ltd ("OMQ"). Sales proceeds from the divestment were US\$25.8 million, of which US\$10.4 million were received in 2023 and the residual balance of the proceeds are scheduled to be received in 2024.

Total distribution costs decreased by approximately 40% in FY2023, despite a slight 3% increase in total volumes of ores and alloys traded in FY2023 as compared to FY2022. This was mainly due to the elevated freight rates in FY2022, which peaked in the middle of FY2022 and have since softened.

Other operating expenses decreased to US\$24.1 million for FY2023, from US\$31.1 million in FY2022 mainly due to:

- lower furnace shut down expenses in FY2023; and
- lower fixed assets written-off in the current year as there were more furnaces undergoing major maintenance and conversion in FY2022.

A net foreign exchange gain of US\$4.6 million was recorded in FY2023 as compared to a net foreign exchange gain in FY2022 of US\$0.6 million, mainly due to the translation of Malaysian Ringgit ("MYR") denominated payables to United States Dollar ("USD") due to the weakening of the MYR against the USD in FY2023.

Finance costs for FY2023 increased by approximately 47% to US\$27.5 million (as compared to US\$18.7 million for FY2022) mainly due to higher interest rates in FY2023.

The Group's share of results from its associates of US\$5.1 million mainly related to the operating results of its 13% interest in Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining (Pty) Ltd ("Tshipi").

Income tax expense decreased by 38% to US\$14.3 million in FY2023 as compared to FY2022 which is in line with the lower pre-tax profits recorded.



Due to the weaker global economic activities and declining prices, the Group recorded a consolidated profit after tax of US\$18.4 million for FY2023 (against a consolidated profit after tax of US\$82.6 million for FY2022). The Group's basic and diluted profit per ordinary share for FY2023 was 2.45 US cents as compared to basic and diluted earnings per share of 9.21 US cents for FY2022.

The Group also recorded a lower EBITDA of US\$94.9 million in FY2023 as compared to US\$150.6 million in FY2022.

#### **Results Contributions**

The contributions from the Group's business segments were as follows:

US\$ million		ended mber 2023		ended mber 2022
	Revenue* Contribution		Revenue*	Contribution
Mining	-	(4.8)	19.8	(5.7)
Smelting	388.8	31.6	648.7	103.0
Marketing and trading	602.1	23.6	657.4	21.0
Others	48.1	3.7	53.1	(3.7)
Net profit before finance costs		54.1		114.6
Finance costs (net of income)		(26.5)		(17.4)
Share of results of associates		5.1		8.4
Income tax expense		(14.3)		(23.0)
Profit after tax		18.4		82.6
Non-controlling interests		(0.2)		(14.8)
Profit attributable to owners of the Company		18.2		67.8

<sup>\*</sup> revenue contribution from segments is subsequently adjusted for intercompany sales on consolidation

## Mining

This category included the contribution from the Bootu Creek Manganese Mine (the "Mine").

The Mine is 100% owned and operated by the Company's wholly owned subsidiary OM (Manganese) Ltd ("**OMM**"). Mining activities ceased in December 2021 and the processing plant also ceased production on 24 January 2022. The Mine was placed under care and maintenance since the end of January 2022 with no further mining and processing activities. The last shipment of products was in 1H 2022.

As a result, there was no revenue in FY2023, and OMM recorded a negative contribution of US\$4.8 million for the year ended 31 December 2023 whilst the operation was under the care and maintenance phase.

A review of the Ultra Fines Plant ("UFP") rectification plan and the financial model was completed in November 2023 and the restart of the UFP was approved. Production restart is targeted to commence in Q4 2024.

### **Smelting**

This business segment covered the operations of the FeSi and manganese alloy smelter operated by OM Sarawak, and the manganese alloy smelter operated by OM Materials (Qinzhou) Co Ltd ("OMQ") until the disposal of OMQ on 31 October 2023.

The smelting segment recorded revenue of US\$388.8 million for FY2023 as compared to US\$648.7 million for FY2022. The decrease in revenue was mainly due to lower average prices of ferroalloys sold in FY2023. The Group produced 139,529 tonnes, 294,432 tonnes and 154,273 tonnes of FeSi, manganese alloys and manganese sinter ore respectively in FY2023 (FY2022: 140,355 tonnes, 216,813 tonnes and 112,711 tonnes of FeSi, manganese alloys and manganese sinter ore respectively).



OMQ suspended its operations in December 2021 due to elevated power-tariffs from power rationing imposed by the local government authorities in China. In FY2023, the Group completed the sale of 90% of OMQ, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Group, held by OM Materials (S) Pte Ltd ("OMS"), for cash consideration of RMB 182.6 million (approximately US\$25.8 million). OMQ's result was consolidated into the Group results up to the disposal date.

The smelting segment recorded a lower contribution of US\$31.6 million for FY2023, as compared to US\$103.0 million for FY2022 predominantly due to the lower prices of ferroalloys, particularly FeSi and SiMn, which resulted in lower margins recorded.

### Marketing and trading

Revenue from the Group's trading operations decreased by 8% from US\$657.4 million in FY2022 to US\$602.1 million in FY2023. This decrease was primarily due to lower average prices of ores and alloys traded in FY2023, despite slightly higher total volume of products sold. The profit contribution from the Group's trading operations increased to US\$23.6 million in FY2023 as compared to US\$21.0 million in FY2022.

### **Others**

This segment included the corporate activities of OMH, logistics services as well as procurement services rendered by a number of the Group's subsidiaries.

The revenue recognised in this segment mainly related to procurement fees, logistics services and other services rendered by certain subsidiaries of the Group. The positive contribution of this segment of US\$3.7 million in FY2023 as compared to a negative contribution of US\$3.7 million in FY2022, was mainly due to lower administrative expenses as there was a higher provision for profit sharing in FY2022 as a result of stronger financial performance of the Group in FY2022.

## **FINANCIAL POSITION**

As at 31 December 2023, the Group's consolidated cash position was US\$69.7 million (including cash collateral of US\$9.2 million) as compared to US\$62.4 million (including cash collateral of US\$9.1 million) as at 31 December 2022. For FY2023, net cash generated from operating activities was US\$30.3 million as compared to net cash generated of US\$197.0 million for FY2022.

Inventories as at 31 December 2023 of US\$292.3 million were higher than the inventory balance of US\$235.4 million as at 31 December 2022 mainly due to a US\$38.5 million write-back of previously written-down inventories. The write-back was due to a higher estimated net realisable value of inventories as at 31 December 2023.

Trade and other receivables increased to US\$38.5 million as at 31 December 2023, compared to US\$31.8 million as at 31 December 2022 mainly due to an increase in other receivables relating to the residual balance of the proceeds due from the disposal of 90% of OMQ.

Total trade and other payables increased by approximately 5% to US\$190.3 million as at 31 December 2023 from US\$180.9 million as at 31 December 2022 mainly due to timing differences between purchases and payments to suppliers.

The Group's total borrowings increased from US\$254.7 million as at 31 December 2022 to US\$265.5 million as at 31 December 2023. The increase was mainly attributed to the drawdown of revolving credit facilities and higher utilisation of trade financing facilities as at 31 December 2023, offset by principal repayments of loans of approximately US\$47.6 million in FY2023. The Group's total borrowings to equity ratio remained the same as at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022, at 0.64 times.

The Group's net asset backing per ordinary share was 54.25 US cents per ordinary share as at 31 December 2023 as compared to 54.26 US cents per ordinary share as at 31 December 2022.



### **Capital Structure**

As announced on 1 December 2023, OMH entered into a share subscription agreement with JFE Shoji Corporation to issue 27,633,464 fully paid ordinary shares at an issue price of A\$0.472 per share which raised A\$13.0 million (US\$8.9 million). The shares were issued and quoted on the ASX on 4 December 2023. As a result, the Company's ordinary shares on issue increased from 738,623,337 as at 31 December 2022, to 766,256,801 as at 31 December 2023.

As at 23 February 2024, a total of 99,989,136 shares were listed on Bursa Malaysia and 666,267,665 shares listed on the Australian Securities Exchange.

### INVESTMENT IN NTSIMBINTLE MINING PROPRIETARY LIMITED

OMH has an effective 13% interest in Tshipi through its 26% strategic partnership with Ntsimbintle Holdings Proprietary Limited.

OMH (26%) and Ntsimbintle Holdings Proprietary Limited (74%) are shareholders in Ntsimbintle Mining Proprietary Limited ("NMPL"). NMPL holds a 50.1% interest in Tshipi, an independently operated and managed black-empowered manganese mining company that operates the Tshipi Borwa Manganese Mine located in the world class Kalahari Manganese field in South Africa. The Tshipi Borwa Manganese Mine currently has a production capacity of 3.3 to 3.6 million tonnes per annum.

The Group equity accounts its 13% effective interest in Tshipi's results which equated to a contribution of US\$5.1 million for FY2023 compared to US\$8.4 million for FY2022.

In February 2023, Tshipi declared and paid a dividend of ZAR 750 million (approximately US\$43.1 million) to its two shareholders. The Group received its share of this dividend of ZAR 99 million (approximately US\$5.3 million, before withholding tax) from NMPL in March 2023.

### **OTHERS**

With the Group having recorded a consolidated net profit after tax attributable to owners of the Company of US\$18.2 million for FY2023, the Board has resolved not to declare a final dividend for FY2023 with a focus to retain cash for future organic growth initiatives and reducing debt. This is in line with the dividend policy announced on 28 February 2023, taking into consideration the cash flow requirements and future operating and investment needs of the Company.

Yours faithfully

**OM HOLDINGS LIMITED** 

Heng Siow Kwee/Julie Wolseley

**Joint Company Secretary** 



## Important note from page 2

Earnings before interest, taxation, depreciation and amortisation (ie 'EBITDA') and earnings before interest and tax (ie 'EBIT') are non-IFRS profit measures. The Company believes that such measures provide a better understanding of its financial performance and allows for a more relevant comparison of financial performance between financial periods.

The Company believes that EBITDA and EBIT are useful measures as they remove significant items that are material items of revenue or expense that are unrelated to the underlying performance of the Company's various businesses thereby facilitating a more representative comparison of financial performance between financial periods.

While the Company's EBITDA and EBIT results are presented in this announcement having regard to the presentation requirements contained in Australian Securities and Investment Commission Regulatory Guide 230 titled 'Disclosing non-IFRS financial information' (issued in December 2011) investors are cautioned against placing undue reliance on such measures as they are not necessarily presented uniformly across the various listed entities in a particular industry or generally.

This ASX announcement was authorised for release by the Board of OM Holdings Limited.

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# **OM HOLDINGS LIMITED**

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Malaysian Registration No. 202002000012 (995782-P)

# **Appendix 4E**

# Preliminary Final Report For the year ended 31 December, 2023

(previous corresponding period being the year ended 31 December, 2022)

## **Results for Announcement to the Market**

OM Holdings Limited For the year ended 31 December 2023

	Name of Entity:	OM Holdings Limited					
	ARBN:		28 337				
	Malaysian Registration No:	20200200001	12 (995782-P)				
1.	Details of the current and prior reporting period						
	Current Period:	1 Jan 2023 to	31 Dec 2023				
	Prior Period:		31 Dec 2022				
2.	Results for announcement to the market						
			US\$'000				
2.1	Revenue from ordinary activities	Down 31% to	589,235				
2.2	Profit for the year	Down 78% to	18,360				
2.3	Net profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company	Down 73% to	18,136				
2.4	Dividend distributions	Amount per security	Franked amount per security				
		Nil	Nil				
2.5	Record date for determining entitlements to the dividend	N	/A				
3.	Consolidated statement of comprehensive income	Refer Ap	ppendix 1				
4.	Statements of financial position	Refer Ap	ppendix 2				
5.	Consolidated statement of cash flows	Refer Ap	ppendix 3				
6.	Details of dividends or distributions	N	/A				
7.	Consolidated statement of changes in equity	Refer Ap	ppendix 4				
		Current Period	Previous				
		US\$	Corresponding Period US\$				
8.	Net asset backing per ordinary security	54.25 cents	54.26 cents				

9.	Control gained over entities during the period	N/A				
10.	Details of associate and joint venture entities	Refer Note 3				
11.	Other significant information	Refer Note 5				
12.	Accounting Standards used by foreign entities in compiling the report	International Financial Reporting Standards				
13.	Commentary on the result for the period	Refer accompanying ASX Announcement				
		Current Period	Previous Corresponding Period			
13.1	Profit per share (basic and diluted)	2.45 cents	9.21 cents			
13.4	Segment results	Refer Ap	ppendix 5			
14.	Status of audit or review	This report is based on financial statements the are in the process of being audited.				
15.	Dispute or qualification - accounts not yet audited	N/A				
16.	Qualifications of audit/review	N	I/A			

# Consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the financial year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Year ended 31 December 2023 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2022 US\$'000
Revenue		589,235	856,552
Cost of sales		(494,416)	(649,686)
Gross profit		94,819	206,866
Other income		23,508	3,966
Distribution costs		(28,985)	(48,547)
Administrative expenses		(14,782)	(15,970)
Other operating expenses		(19,469)	(30,451)
Finance costs		(27,519)	(18,652)
Profit from operations		27,572	97,212
Share of results of associates		5,135	8,417
Profit before income tax		32,707	105,629
Income tax expense		(14,347)	(23,038)
Profit for the year	1	18,360	82,591
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:  Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss Currency translation differences arising from foreign subsidiaries			
(attributable to Owners of the Company)		(2,641)	(6,014)
Realisation of foreign exchange reserve upon disposal of subsidiary		(1,782)	(0,011)
Cash flow hedges		(47)	(47)
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Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss Currency translation differences arising from foreign subsidiaries (attributable to non-controlling interests)		(59) (59)	(419) (419)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		(4,529)	(6,480)
Total comprehensive income for the year		13.831	76.111
Profit attributable to: Owners of the Company Non-controlling interests		18,136 224	67,842 14,749
		18,360	82,591
Total comprehensive income attributable to: Owners of the Company Non-controlling interests		13,666 165 13,831	61,789 14,322 76,111
Profit per share - Basic - Diluted		Cents 2.45 2.45	Cents 9.21 9.21

# Statements of financial position

as at 31 December 2023

Appendix 2

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	3			31 December 2023	•		
	Note	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000		
Assets							
Non-Current							
Property, plant and equipment		-	-	426,084	445,556		
Land use rights		-	-	5,515	6,533		
Exploration and evaluation costs	2	-	-	2,771	2,255		
Mine development costs		_	_	1,388	1,878		
Investment property		_	_	419	427		
Right-of-use assets		-	-	5,704	4,163		
Deferred tax assets		_	_	12,161	12,578		
Interests in subsidiaries		93,193	102,532	· -	_		
Interests in associates	3	· <b>-</b>	-	84,107	80,875		
		93,193	102,532	538,149	554,265		
Current		•	·	•	,		
Inventories		_	_	292,349	235,415		
Trade and other receivables		14,448	6,380	38,532	31,783		
Capitalised contract costs		· -	, _	301	538		
Prepayments		172	1	1,773	1,620		
Derivatives		_	=	137	-		
Cash collateral		_	=	9,210	9,121		
Cash and bank balances		13	24	60,491	53,262		
		14,633	6,405	402,793	331,739		
Total assets		107,826	108,937	940,942	886,004		
Share capital Treasury shares Reserves		32,976 (2,058) 16,123 47,041	32,035 (2,058) 14,271 44,248	32,976 (2,058) 380,439 411,357	32,035 (2,058) 366,133 396,110		
Non-controlling interests			44,240	3,269	3,624		
Total equity		47,041	44,248	414,626	399,734		
Liabilities							
Non-Current							
Borrowings		-	-	169,110	204,817		
Lease liabilities		-	-	2,732	1,753		
Trade and other payables		-	-	36,730	54,323		
Provisions		-	-	4,579	4,778		
Deferred tax liabilities		-	-	26,953	18,393		
Deferred capital grant		-	_	6,564	7,131		
		-	-	246,668	291,195		
Current							
Borrowings		-	_	96,349	49,923		
Lease liabilities		-	-	2,621	1,757		
Trade and other payables		60,785	64,689	153,564	126,604		
Provisions		-	_	<b>-</b>	188		
Deferred capital grant		-	_	567	567		
Contract liabilities		-	_	23,326	10,536		
Income tax payables			<del>-</del>	3,221	5,500		
·		60,785	64,689	279,648	195,075		
Total liabilities		60,785	64,689	526,316	486,270		
Total equity and liabilities		107,826	108,937	940,942	886,004		

Appendix 3

# Consolidated statement of cash flows

for the financial year ended 31 December 2023

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	December 2023	December 2022
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		, , , , , ,
Profit before income tax	32,707	105,629
Adjustments for:	·	•
Amortisation of land use rights	126	143
Amortisation of deferred capital grant	(567)	(564)
Amortisation of mine development costs	490	392
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	32,204	24,750
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	2,853	2,356
Depreciation of investment property	8	7
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(396)	(3)
Gain on disposal of right-of-use assets	(173)	_
Write-off of property, plant and equipment	822	10,052
Gain on disposal of subsidiary	(20,157)	-
Reclassification from hedging reserve to profit or loss	(47)	(47)
Write-down of inventories to net realisable value	560	561
Write-off of exploration and evaluation costs	-	130
Interest expense	27,519	18,652
Interest income	(982)	(1,205)
Unrealised gain on derivatives	(137)	-
Share of results of associates	(5,135)	(8,417)
Operating profit before working capital changes	69,695	152,436
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(59,030)	23,216
Decrease in trade receivables	4,705	4,328
Decrease in capitalised contract costs	236	539
Decrease in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	1,466	5,642
Increase in contract liabilities	12,791	3,508
Increase in trade payables	915	26,388
Increase/(decrease) in other payables	5,722	(10,111)
Decrease in provisions	(200)	(2,398)
Cash generated from operations	36,300	203,548
Income tax paid	(6,048)	(6,590)
Net cash generated from operating activities	30,252	196,958
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Payments for exploration and evaluation costs	(490)	(395)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(21,261)	(39,402)
Purchase of right-of-use asset	(21)	(166)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	458	-
Proceeds from disposal of right-of-use assets	174	-
Proceeds from disposal of subsidiary, net of cash disposed	10,332	-
Dividends received from an associate	5,305	7,868
Interest received	982	1,205
Net cash used in investing activities	(4,521)	(30,890)

# Consolidated statement of cash flows (cont'd)

for the financial year ended 31 December 2023

	Year ended 31 December 2023 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2022 US\$'000
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Repayments of bank and other loans	(47,584)	(65,964)
Proceeds from bank and other loans	57,990	22,826
Principal repayments of lease liabilities	(2,636)	(2,484)
Acquisition of non-controlling interests	-	(109,127)
(Increase)/decrease in cash collateral	(45)	2,610
Dividend paid	(7,803)	(10,948)
Interest paid	(26,919)	(17,661)
Proceeds from shares issuance	8,885	-
Net cash used in financing activities	(18,112)	(180,748)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	7,619	(14,680)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	53,262	69,793
Exchange difference on translation of cash and cash equivalents at		
beginning of year	(390)	(1,851)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	60,491	53,262

# Consolidated statement of changes in equity for the financial year ended 31 December 2023

	Share capital US\$'000	Treasury shares US\$'000	Share premium US\$'000	Non- distributable reserve US\$'000	Capital reserve US\$'000	Hedging reserve US\$'000	Exchange fluctuation reserve US\$'000	Retained profits US\$'000	Total attributable to equity holders of the parent US\$'000	Non- controlling interests US\$'000	Total equity US\$'000
At 1 January 2023	32,035	(2,058)	156,920	7,922	(10,947)	272	(40,139)	252,105	396,110	3,624	399,734
Profit for the year Other comprehensive income for the year Total comprehensive income for the year		-	- - -	<u>-</u> -	- - -	(47) (47)	(4,423) (4,423)	18,136 - 18,136	18,136 (4,470) 13,666	224 (59) 165	18,360 (4,529) 13,831
Dividends Shares issuance Transactions with owners	941 941	- - -	7,944 7,944	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	(7,304) - (7,304)	(7,304) 8,885 1,581	(520) - (520)	(7,824) 8,885 1,061
Transfers from statutory reserve	-	-	-	(6,503)	-	-	-	6,503	-	-	-
At 31 December 2023	32,976	(2,058)	164,864	1,419	(10,947)	225	(44,562)	269,440	411,357	3,269	414,626

	Share capital US\$'000	Treasury shares US\$'000	Share premium US\$'000	Non- distributable reserve US\$'000	Capital reserve US\$'000	Hedging reserve US\$'000	Exchange fluctuation reserve US\$'000	Retained profits US\$'000	Total attributable to equity holders of the parent US\$'000	Non- controlling interests US\$'000	Total equity US\$'000
At 1 January 2022	32,035	(2,058)	156,920	7,643	12,138	(818)	(33,032)	195,158	367,986	75,727	443,713
Profit for the year Other comprehensive income for the year Total comprehensive income for the year		- - -	- - -	- -	- - -	(39) (39)	(6,014) (6,014)	67,842 - 67,842	67,842 (6,053) 61,789	14,749 (427) 14,322	82,591 (6,480) 76,111
Dividends Acquisition of non-controlling interests Transactions with owners	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	(23,176) (23,176)	1,129 1,129	(1,093) (1,093)	(10,525) - (10,525)	(10,525) (23,140) (33,665)	(438) (85,987) (86,425)	(10,963) (109,127) (120,090)
Transfer to statutory reserve At 31 December 2022	32,035	(2,058)	- 156,920	279 7,922	91 (10,947)	- 272	(40,139)	(370) 252,105	- 396,110	3,624	399,734

## **Operating segments**

For management purposes, OM Holdings Limited and its controlled entities ("Group") are organised into the following reportable operating segments as follows:-

Mining Exploration and processing of manganese ore

Smelting Production of ferrosilicon, manganese alloys, silicon metal and

manganese sinter ore

Marketing and Trading Trading of manganese ore, ferrosilicon, manganese alloys, silicon

metal and manganese sinter ore

Each of these operating segments is managed separately as they require different resources as well as operating approaches.

The reporting segment results exclude the finance income and costs and share of results of associates, which are not directly attributable to the business activities of any operating segment, and are not included in arriving at the operating results of the operating segment.

Sales between operating segments are carried out at arm's length.

Segment performance is evaluated based on the operating profit or loss which in certain respects, as set out below, is measured differently from the operating profit or loss in the consolidated financial statements.

# Operating segments (cont'd)

	Mini	na	Smel	tina	Marketing and	d Trading	Others	S	Total	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
Reportable segment revenue	•	,	·		·	·	·	·	•	
Sales to external customers	-	-	114,543	288,874	474,628	567,021	64	657	589,235	856,552
Inter-segment sales	_	19,822	274,295	359,790	127,437	90,382	48,060	52,492	449,792	522,486
Elimination									(449,792)	(522,486)
	-	19,822	388,838	648,664	602,065	657,403	48,124	53,149	589,235	856,552
Reportable segment (loss)/profit	(4,792)	(5,744)	31,603	103,045	23,550	21,058	3,748	(3,700)	54,109	114,659
Reportable segment assets	46,253	48,320	830,368	809,893	589,064	540,745	133,593	139,185	1,599,278	1,538,143
Elimination									(742,443)	(733,014)
Interest in associates									84,107	80,875
Total assets									940,942	886,004
Reportable segment liabilities	122,667	119,541	480,532	429,520	301,976	283,660	75,746	79,676	980,921	912,397
Elimination	,	,	,	.20,020	331,013	200,000		. 0,0. 0	(454,605)	(426,127)
Total liabilities									526,316	486,270
Other segment information										
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	3	94	20,951	38,900	93	78	214	330	21,261	39,402
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	810	947	30,688	23,085	74	72	632	646	32,204	24,750
Write off of property, plant and equipment	-	_	822	10,051	-	-	-	1	822	10,052
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(396)	_	_	(3)	-	-	-	_	(396)	(3)
Gain on disposal of right-of-use-assets	-	-	(173)	_	_	-	-	_	(173)	-
Gain on disposal of subsidiary	-	-	_	-	(20,157)	-	-	-	(20,157)	-
Amortisation of land use rights	-	-	126	143	-	-	-	-	126	143
Addition of exploration and evaluation costs	490	367	_	-	-	-	-	28	490	395
Amortisation of mine development costs	490	392	-	-	-	-	-	-	490	392
Depreciation of right-of-use-assets	26	461	2,248	1,305	363	366	216	224	2,853	2,356
Depreciation of investment property	-	-	-	-	8	7	-	-	8	7
Write off of evaluation and exploration costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130	_	130
Write-down of inventories to net realisable value	384	211	-	39	176	311	-	-	560	561
Amortisation of deferred capital grant	-	-	(567)	(564)	-	_	_	_	(567)	(564)

## Operating segment (cont'd)

Reconciliation of the Group's reportable segment profit to the profit before income tax is as follows:

	2023 US\$'000	2022 US\$'000
Reportable segment profit	54,109	114,659
Finance income	982	1,205
Share of results of associates	5,135	8,417
Finance costs	(27,519)	(18,652)
Profit before income tax	32,707	105,629

The Group's revenues from external customers and its non-current assets (other than deferred tax assets) are divided into the following geographical areas:

	Revenue from external customers		Non-Current Assets		
	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Principal markets	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	
Asia Pacific	477,565	662,759	444,949	460,898	
Europe	40,435	52,346	-	-	
Middle East	18,997	22,840	-	-	
Africa	2,405	976	81,039	80,789	
America	49,833	117,631	-	-	
	589,235	856,552	525,988	541,687	

The geographical location of customers is based on the locations at which the goods were delivered. The geographical location of non-current assets is based on the physical location of the assets.

# NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

## Note 1: Profit after taxation

Note 1: Profit after taxation	2023	2022
The Group	US\$'000	US\$'000
Profit before income tax has been arrived at after charging/(crediting):		
Amortisation of land use rights	126	143
Amortisation of deferred capital grant	(567)	(564)
Amortisation of mine development costs	490	392
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment:	430	332
- cost of sales	18,168	16,213
- other operating expenses	14,036	8,537
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	2,853	2,356
Depreciation of investment property	2,000	7
Write off of property, plant and equipment	822	10,052
Gain on disposal of subsidiary	(20,157)	
Unrealised gain on derivatives	(137)	_
Write-down of inventories to net realisable value	560	561
Cost of inventories recognized as expenses and included in cost of sales	494,416	649,686
Foreign exchange gain, net	(4,554)	(592)
Rental expenses:	( , ,	,
- short-term leases	1,103	2,962
- leases of low-value assets	13	33
Interest income	(982)	(1,205)
Finance costs:	` ,	,
- loans	27,104	17,447
- lease liabilities	165	171
- others	250	1,034
Employee benefits expenses	41,008	47,656
Note 2: Exploration and evaluation costs		
	2023	2022
The Group	US\$'000	US\$'000
At beginning of year	2,255	2,142
Costs incurred during the year	490	395
Written off/impairment during the year	_	(130)
Exchange Realignment	26	(152)
At end of year	2,771	2,255

### Note 3: Interests in associates

	2023	2022
The Group	US\$'000	US\$'000
'		
Interests in associates	84,107	80,875

The material associates are:

Name of company	Country of incorporation	Percentage of equity held		Principal activities
		2023	2022	
Ntsimbintle Mining Proprietary Limited ("NMPL")	South Africa	26%	26%	Investment holding
Held by NMPL Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining Proprietary Limited ("Tshipi Mining")	South Africa	13%	13%	Exploration and mining of minerals

## Note 4: Share capital

	No. of ord	linary shares	Amount		
The Company and The Group	2023 '000	2022 '000	2023 US\$'000	2022 US\$'000	
Authorised: Ordinary shares of US\$0.04337 (A\$0.05)					
(2022 – US\$0.04337 (A\$0.05)) each	2,000,000	2,000,000	87,000	87,000	
Issued and fully paid: Ordinary shares of US\$0.04304 (A\$0.05– (2022 - US\$0.04337 (A\$0.05)) each					
At 1 January	738,623	738,623	32,035	32,035	
Shares issuance (1)	27,634	_	941		
At 31 December	766,257	738,623	32,976	32,035	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(1)</sup> 27,633,464 ordinary shares were issued to JFE Shoji Corporation on 4 December 2023

### Note 5: Other significant information

### Sale of 90% interest in OM Materials (Qinzhou) Co Ltd ("OMQ")

On 31 October 2023, the Group's wholly owned subsidiary, OM Materials (S) Pte Ltd ("OMS") executed a Share Sale Agreement, for the sale of its 90% equity interest in OMQ, to Beijing Kunpeng Hongsheng Metal Co. Ltd, for cash consideration of RMB 182.6 million (approximately US\$ 25.8 million). OMQ's profit or loss were consolidated in the Group results up to disposal date.

The Group, through OMS, retains a 10% equity interest in OMQ, which is accounted for as an associate as it retains significant influence in OMQ.

### Note 5: Other significant information (cont'd)

# Sponsor Guarantee issued under the terms of the Power Purchase Agreement with Syarikat Sesco Berhad

Pursuant to the Power Purchase Agreement ("PPA") between a subsidiary, OM Materials (Sarawak) Sdn Bhd ("OM Sarawak"), and Syarikat Sesco Berhad ("SSB"), OM Holdings Limited ("OMH") issued guarantees to SSB for certain obligations of OM Sarawak under the PPA.

The guarantees disclosed above do not fall into the category of financial guarantees as they do not relate to debt instruments. The purpose of these guarantees is essentially to enable SSB to provide the power supply to OM Sarawak on the condition that these guarantees are provided by OMH in the event that there are any unpaid claims arising from the PPA owed to SSB. There are no bank loans involved in these guarantees. As such, there is no need for the guarantees to be fair valued.

# Project Support guarantee issued under the terms of the Facilities Agreement and the Project Support Agreement

OM Sarawak entered into a project finance Facilities Agreement ("FA") for a limited recourse senior project finance debt facility. Concurrently, OMH and OMS, the ultimate and immediate holding company of OM Sarawak, entered into a Project Support Agreement ("PSA") in relation to the project finance debt facility. The PSA governs the rights and obligations of OMH and OMS. These obligations and liabilities are severally liable.

The PSA will lapse upon the final payment of the project financing facilities.

### **Tourag Fatality**

On 24 August 2020, a significant wall failure in Tourag pit resulted in the death of an employee of OM (Manganese) Ltd. ("OMM"). The incident was immediately reported to NT Police, the Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade and NT WorkSafe, with mining operations suspended immediately.

OMM has complied with all notices issued by NT WorkSafe and the Northern Territory Coroner to provide all information to assist with their investigations.

On 30 August 2021, NT WorkSafe served OMM with a summons to attend court, charging OMM with contraventions of Division 5 of the Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011 (NT) ("Act"). OMM had indicated its intention to enter a guilty plea to a "Category Two" failure to comply with a work health and safety duty, contrary to section 32 of the Act.

The plea hearing was held on 18 September 2023, and a decision was delivered on 11 October 2023, where OMM was convicted and ordered to pay A\$487,500 (US\$323,000) in fines and a levy in the amount of A\$1,000 (US\$660). OMM also agreed to pay the Work Health Authority's costs of and incidental to the proceedings in the amount of A\$193,000 (US\$128,000).

The amounts have been fully settled as at 31 December 2023.

### **Construction claim**

On 8 July 2022, one of the subsidiaries of the Group received a claim for the sum of approximately MYR 30 million (equivalent to approximately US\$6,529,000) and costs in respect of a construction project. As at the date of this report, no determination has been made of the possible outcome.

### Note 5: Other significant information (cont'd)

# New IFRS issued and effective: Amendments to IAS 12 International Tax Reform – Pillar Two Model Rules

The amendments to IAS 12 have been introduced in May 2023, in response to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development ("OECD")'s Pillar Two model rules and includes:

- A mandatory temporary exception to the recognition and disclosure of deferred taxes arising from the jurisdictional implementation of the Pillar Two model rules; and
- Disclosure requirements for affected entities to help users of the financial statements better understand an entity's exposure to Pillar Two income taxes arising from that legislation, particularly before its effective date.

The mandatory temporary exception – the use of which is required to be disclosed – applies immediately. The remaining disclosure requirements apply for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023, but not for any interim periods ending on or before 31 December 2023.

The Group operates in jurisdictions where tax laws are being enacted or substantively enacted to implement the Pillar Two model rules. The Group is still assessing its impact, and has applied the mandatory exception, to not recognise and disclose information about deferred tax assets and liabilities related to Pillar Two income taxes.